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Lake Campus receives donations to renovate

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The Wright State Lake Campus located in Celina recently received a donation of \$2 million dollars to use in campus renovations and upgrades.

The James F. Dicke family gave the \$2 million dollar donation and is a long time benefactor of the Lake Campus. The family challenged others to match their donation. Celina Aluminum Precision Technology (CAPT) also donated \$250,000.

"Crown Equipment Corporation and the James F. Dicke Family are proud to support the Lake Campus, because the Lake Campus is supportive of our communities and so committed to the personal and professional development of its residents," said Katy Dicke who serves on the Western Ohio Educational Foundation Board of Trustees.

Dennis Lee, senior manager of CAPT said, "CAPT is proud to announce that we will be supporting the new science wing at the Lake Campus. This new facility will be one of the cornerstones for the majority of Lake Campus students."

"We deeply appreciate the gifts from the Dicke family and all the other donors who will make this project a reality for our Lake Campus," said Wright State president

Dr. Kim Goldenberg.

In addition to the new science wing, the donations will be used to build a Multipurpose Center and update existing facilities. The additions will bear the names of their donors with the James F. Dicke Hall and James F. Dicke Academic Center. The science wing will be called the CAPT Science Wing.

"I think it is great for the school," said Hal Houseworth, a former Lake Campus student who transferred to the main campus. "It will open more doors for students looking to get educated while saving money by living at home."

The new campus will increase visibility and attract more students, said Lake Campus dean Anita Curry-Jackson.

"Surveys of students indicate that many students are attracted to campuses based on their interactions with staff and their impressions of the facilities. New facilities have a special appeal. New classrooms, science labs and study space will attract students."

The project is set to begin in 2008 and be completed in 2009 Curry-Jackson said.

"The campus is overdue to have better facilities," she said.

"It has been twenty-five years since the last addition or major renovation. Thanks to the generosity of the James F. Dicke Family with a \$2 million challenge gift, CAPT, Inc. with a \$250,000 supporting gift and many community donors, the new, improved facilities are a reality."

Lake

campus renovations



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Greg Fitzsimmons entertains students with some stand-up in the Apollo room to cap of the Amateur Comedy Contest held by the UAB.

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02/14/2006- Police observed a student driving 45 mph in a 20 mph zone. When stopped police found she had an outstanding warrant out of Fairborn and arrested her.

The warrant had been taken care of the night before in Clark county. The student was transported from Fairborn City Jail back to her car with a citation for speeding, and was given a mandatory court date.

02/15/2006- A WSU student was arrested at Sinclair Community College for selling pornographic DVDs in a building lobby. The case was then sent from Sinclair to Wright State police.

02/17/2006- Police were called to the Union Market to protect the peace after an employee had been terminated.

The former employee of WSU returned for paychecks but refused to sign for them and continued to act erratically. Police picked up the employee and offered to drive her to her car.

The suspect became unruly so she was transported to Greene County Jail and charged with criminal trespassing.

02/19/2006- Police were called when a suspect was caught running from police in the Nutter Center. The suspect ran until he was caught and tackled.

The suspect was intoxicated, and subsequently arrested. The suspect was issued a citation for disorderly conduct by intoxicated fighting.

The suspect was taken to Fairborn City Jail and released after booking.

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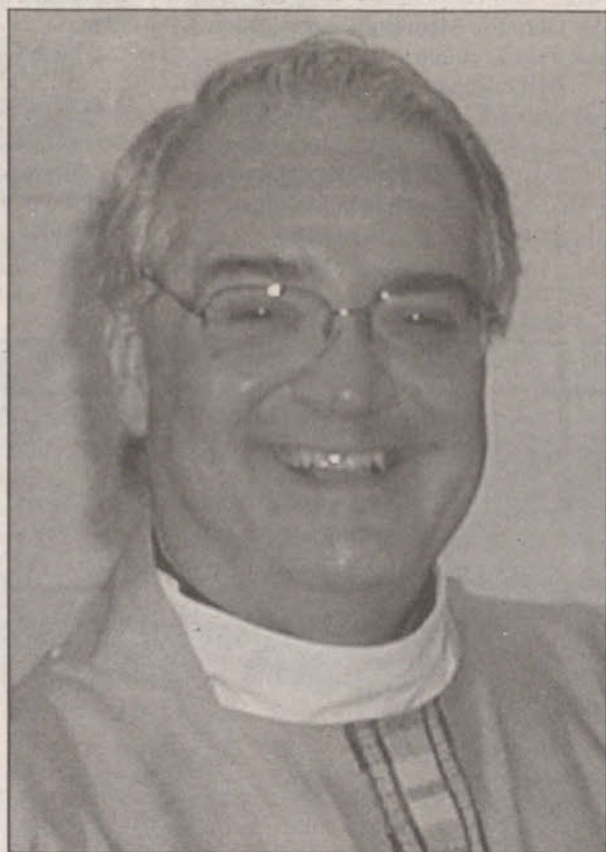
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WSU campus minister dies

Top: Reverend Christian Rohmiller served the WSU Campus Ministries for the past 11 years. Students knew him as Father Chris. (photo provided by WSU Campus Ministries)

Bottom: Father Chris blesses motorcycles in a WSU parking lot. Father Christ had been gathering the motorcyclists at WSU for the blessings for the past five years. (photo by the Dayton Daily News)



■ Reverend served WSU community for over 11 years

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Reverend Christian Rohmiller, known to most as Father Chris, who has been greeting and serving WSU Catholics with smiles and cheer, for the past eleven years, died Saturday evening February 25, 2006.

He passed away in his Fairborn condominium of a heart attack at the age of 56.

His ministry began with his ordination in 1979. Since then, he has taught in the Catholic school system and served as a pastor in three Dayton area parishes.

To the many students on campus, Rohmiller was more than just a priest, but a close friend.

"He had a way of making sure that everyone felt included and special," said Newman Catholic Student Association leader LeAnn Meyer.

Many students were drawn to his warm, outgoing personality and felt that he inspired them to continue participating in their faith throughout their college career and beyond.

As a leader of the Catholic faith, Rohmiller helped students reach out to the community through various activities that ranged from serving the homeless at St. Vincent de Paul to numerous "exam crams", spaghetti dinners and much more.

He raised thousands of dollars for

efforts like hurricane Katrina and Heifer International.

He also offered up to four masses throughout the week, developed a student leadership council, served as chaplain for the local Knights of Columbus chapter and worked with the Methodist leadership board.

A group of students said, that being Catholic Campus minister was not just a job to him; it was his passion in life.

Rohmiller showed dedication and service to not only Wright State students, but to faculty and staff, the Dayton community and many others both nationally and worldwide.

Serving in projects throughout the years, including the St. John Bosco Boys Home in Jamaica, the Honduras Project, and endeavors to Eastern Europe provinces, Rohmiller established a global influence.

"I think he knew every single person on this earth!" said Joshua Keener, president of NCSA.

Through both community and worldwide service projects, Rohmiller helped his WSU students to develop a sense of cultural and spiritual awareness.

After years of hard work, Rohmiller recently completed the plans for a new church building, which he had hoped to bring to reality.

Rohmiller's vision was to create a place of worship to accommodate the growing faith community.

The students of the NCSA expressed the sentiment that no matter what they say, there is no way to adequately describe how he has touched their lives.

Rohmiller's life's work and influence can only be best summarized by a quote he often shared with others from St. Francis of Assisi, "Preach the gospel at all times, and when necessary use words."

Students discuss My Space and Facebook

■ Students worry about privacy issues on popular online forums

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Although the United States is a country that claims to have a "Right to Privacy", a thriving new trend is taking place where blogging outlets like Facebook and Myspace have opened their back doors to graduate schools, medical schools and employers.

In some extreme cases, people have been arrested or fired because of posts and blogs. This may infuriate many students but when students register with

these various blogging outlets, they consent to terms of agreement that breach their right to privacy.

An example of this is Facebook's agreement.

"We may share account or other information when we believe it is necessary to comply with law or to protect our interests or property. This may include sharing information with other companies, lawyers, agents or government agencies," it said.

Myspace has a very similar agreement. With these disclaimers, students may not be allowing random students across the country to read their personal information, see drunken pictures, or relationship status but they are opening a back-door to other problems.

"Most of us have pictures that would give our parents a heart attack, which is exactly why there isn't a parent section to Facebook or Myspace. If there was,

I'm pretty sure we would all be editing our info," said Jessica Austin a sophomore middle childhood education major.

"It is wrong to fire or arrest someone for what they post on a blog. I am not a fan of censorship. It is that simple," said junior Kye Wood.

"I can see how that would be of interest to these people hacking in our profiles, but does it really determine if a person is going to be good in school, or at a job? It is called Myspace after all, so leave it alone!" said Erica Lugo a freshman intending social science education.

"I think employers have the right to know as much about a potential employee as they can legally find and if someone willingly puts information about themselves on Facebook or Myspace then it is fair game for employers in their decision making

process," said senior political science major Zach Upton.

Some may ask how safe is the Facebook and Myspace? If government agencies and employers are able to sneak through the back door, what is stopping students, predators, and identity theft? What many students don't realize is that almost any information posted on Facebook can be read by any student at their university, including addresses and phone numbers.

These Facebook and Myspace features are opening the door to bigger issues. The best advice is to remove these features from profiles, before it is too late.

"People should always take into account that their profiles are public (unless they enable privacy options) and be mindful of how and what they want portrayed in the public eye," said Mike George a criminal justice major.

WSU president praises programs on campus

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In a recent interview Wright State president Dr. Kim Goldenberg spoke about the many positives of the different programs, departments and colleges on campus.

"We try to support the hottest things in each area," Goldenberg said. Comparing the different areas is like comparing apples and oranges, he added.

He began by highlighting different aspects on campus that are strong, cutting-edge and important to Wright State.

In the Raj Soin College of Business, he highlighted the MTC trading room and the ticker that runs across in the room.

"It is one of the few rooms across the country with a real Wall Street ticker," he said.

For the College of Nursing and Health Goldenberg praised the Nursing Institute which is currently working to end the shortage of nurses in the region, state and country.

Next he commented on the College of Liberal Arts and the Model United Nations which is housed in the political science department.

"For 26 years in a row they win top awards competing against the best schools in the world," he said. "They compete and debate 12 to 16 hours a day for 6 days."

The College of Education and Human Services has a charter college, which in one of few in the state, designated to help students get through faster

and into key areas, Goldenberg said.

"The School of Professional Psychology is nationally known for its work with domestic violence and violence in schools," Goldenberg continued.

The College of Science and Math received grant money to train students with disabilities and help develop devices for them to succeed, he said.

The Boonshoft School of Medicine created through donations from the community and Premier Health Part-

ners, the Department of Geriatric Medicine, said Goldenberg. The Department of Geriatric Medicine is one of few across the country, he added.

In the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, WSU has created the Wright Center of Innovation for Advanced Data Management and Analysis. This was created for new high tech jobs and businesses.

"This hopes to be a magnet to draw talent here," Goldenberg said.

The Lake Campus, Goldenberg said,

is recognized year after year for their Business Professionals of America program.

The program is for training people in the office area he said. "The program is in the top tier of the country," Goldenberg added.

"I try to support all of the colleges and schools on campus," Goldenberg concluded. "From my point of view the most important issue is how we can be responsive to students."



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President Kim Goldenberg speaks with The Guardian editor Kerry Lipp.

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Be cautious when banking on the net

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We love online banking. It captivates us and we happily click account numbers and amounts into little boxes rather than sending in checks. We are so in love with the concept that we forget or ignore the dangers.

There is always a dark side, and let me remind you of some precautions to remember while banking online or through the phone.

First of all, phishing emails have become the latest type of theft. Essentially, the conartist sends an e-mail supposedly from the bank asking you to verify your account number or social security number. Bad sign!

If it's an e-mail requesting you click on a link to take you to your bank's website, once again don't. Often these people set up websites that are very similar to fool people into giving out account information.

Most online purchases require an account number, which is easily given out through these emails, causing a lot of damage.

As if this isn't enough, some businesses may be legit, but then use the account information to continue withdrawals from the account. Therefore, some people continue to be charged for services no longer used.

Beware of anyone who calls and asks to confirm account numbers. If someone calls you and claims to be from your bank, ask for a call back number or use the phone number you have for your bank and give them a ring.

This will often deter thieves. See if the bank does in fact call members and ask for account information. Most of the time you will hear a resounding NO!

Debit cards are tricky as well. Like account numbers, once you have given the card number to someone, the business or person then has authorization to withdraw from the account. So please be cautious with these numbers. When possible, make one-time payments to avoid permanent authorization and look at bank statements.

Most banks will give members a grace period to look at statements and dispute charges. But if you don't notice, they won't either. This is your money, take care of it and make sure you know where it's going.

In addition, if you ever lose a debit or ATM card report this to the bank immediately. Often they can cancel the card immediately which can keep fraudulent charges at bay.

Help available for tax season

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Taxes are due on April 15, 2006 at midnight, so what kind of steps should students be taking to be able to get their taxes finished on time?

There are several different tips that Wright State's faculty can offer. First, a student must decide which tax form is most beneficial, and being a student with not many deductions it would be better off going with the short form.

The short form is the easiest and fastest way to get taxes done. Students are better off filing out the short form,

because students do not have a lot of deductions.

The long form is only based on having a lot of deductions to claim. Deductions are any medical bills, dental bills, property, mortgage payments, and charities. Students don't really have a lot of these to claim so therefore it is easier to fill out the short form.

"I go to irs.gov and file the ez file 1040 for my federal taxes. For my state taxes I go to ohio.gov and file the same form and this because if I filed my state taxes at irs.gov they would charge me 25.00 dollars. So therefore I file at two

separate websites, and it is much easier and cheaper," said Adam Spangler, business major.

If students want less taxes to deal with they can take out IRA accounts, saving accounts, and many more. It is important to report all income including tips, gambling and any other extra income gained throughout the year. This is important for students who would ever want to apply for a job and undergo a background check.

Another way students may do their taxes is by using Turbo Tax. This is really only good for the long form filing. Other than that, it is much easier for students to go to a tax rate table to just calculate your taxes, said Robert Premus, professor of economics.

Knowing all the necessities needed to file taxes, there is also help if students do not get them done in time. Anyone can apply for an extension for an extra three months.

Even though students have the extra three months they still have to file by midnight, April 15 to estimate what information is provided. Later students have to go back and change it to the correct information before their three months are up.

"When I file my taxes I use the short form, and my father helped me learn the financial terms. So I know now how to file my taxes very well now," Jonathon Beightler a, accounting major.

If students have any questions just ask any of the accountants on campus in the accounting department, because they will be able to confirm all questions before submitting taxes. This is so students know their information is totally correct and each student is getting all that they can get out of their taxes this year.



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Campus housing lottery approaching

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It might not be the \$365 million lottery, but students at Wright State are preparing for a lottery of their own.

Current students living on campus, will have the chance to choose their housing for the next school year. The housing lottery takes place on March 5 starting at noon and the last day for students to pick up lottery numbers is on March 3.

To prepare for the lottery they would need to pick up a lottery ticket, said Dan Bertso director of Resident Services. He added that for students to be eligible for the lottery they would need to have a good standing with Wright State and have their bills paid on time.

After students pick up their number, they will meet at the Multipurpose room in the Student Union to choose their place of living.

With a time schedule for when students should come, the event begins with seniors then moves to juniors, then sophomores and finally freshmen. Tables, representing each community, are set up for students to come and sign up for the space they want to live in. To confirm the space students want to live in, there is a pre-payment of \$150 for fall rent.

"The more seniority you have in the housing system, the better chance you have. You get to choose first, if your place in line is earlier," said Bertso.

When the housing lottery is over, students will be notified in August to

remind them of their new housing and give the basic information of the move in date.

"I think overall it's a good system as far as giving everyone a choice to pick their rooms. But I'm not so sure how they assign the lottery numbers," said Jeff Baltes, a junior in social sciences education and theater studies.

Though students are given the chance to pick their own living space, there is always a down side.

"I think that many students are satisfied, but there are certainly some that are frustrated for a couple reasons," said Bertso.

"First, there may be a group of four friends who would like to get an apartment together, by the time their turn comes up and there's a group of four the person with the best lottery number is the one they use to draw with," said Bertso. The frustration comes in when there is no more whole apartments for the group of four, he added.

"The second reason the person is frustrated is because the place they wanted is no longer available when it was their turn," Bertso said.

"I think it's good, but it's hard for freshmen who want to live in the apartments because the numbers are really high. But if you want to live in the dorms then it's fine," said Chelsea Bohrer a freshman in pre-nursing.

"I personally hate the lottery. It makes sense, but it's too much of a hassle," said Brandon Greenwell a sophomore in mathematics.

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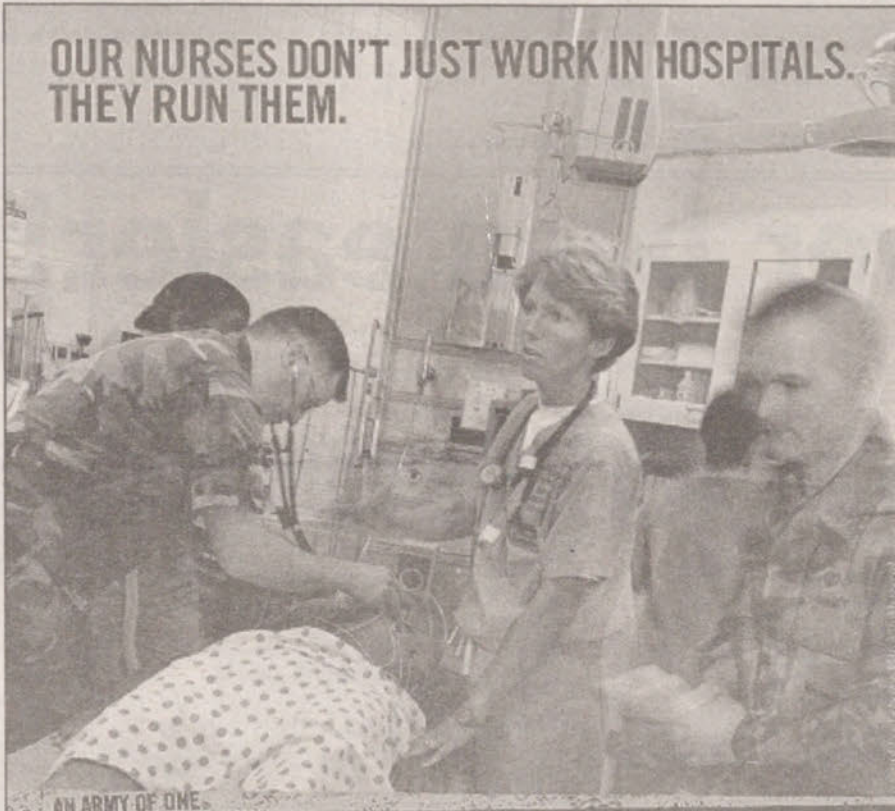
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Housing popular among incoming freshmen

About two-thirds of freshmen elect to live in campus housing

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Not only do students have the choice to choose their majors at Wright State, but they also have the opportunity to choose whether or not they want to live on campus.

Wright State is one of the few campuses, especially in Ohio, where there is not a requirement for first year or second year students to live on campus, said Dan Bertso director of Residence Services. He said that is one of the things that make Wright State unique.

"Despite not having the requirement, nearly two-thirds of the freshmen class for the past five years has chosen to live on campus," said Bertso.

Over a period of ten years, Wright State has seen an increase from 2,000

to 3,000 students who choose to live on campus.

"I would strongly recommend first year students to live on campus, for a couple of reasons. First, I think it gives students a chance to connect with the university and with the students who go to school here," said Bertso.

"If they're commuting to campus they don't have the opportunity to spend time with their classmates outside of class or develop a kind of relationship with them that makes college better."

"The second reason to live on campus is that we found students, who live on campus, tend to do better in school because they have friends to study with. When you can connect with your classmates, it does make a difference," Bertso said.

Even though living on campus is

expensive, there are many things that can benefit students, Bertso added.

The main thing is convenience, said Bertso, because everything is within reach. Students may be paying a lot but there are a lot of services that are

included in the cost.

Depending on which type of housing students choose, the services are nearly endless. Students are offered internet service, cable television and everything a person would need when living at home. There is also a free recreation center and the C-Store that works like a conven-

- Dan Bertso

ient store.

"I've met a lot of friends," said Jessalyn Pepiot a freshmen in early childhood education, "and I have been able to hang out with them whenever I want."

"I like it here because it's easier than to live off campus. I can save miles and gas on my car. I know friends who commute and are late to class because they can't find a parking spot," said Tylor Saunders a sophomore majoring in business.

Though students like Pepiot and Saunders find the benefits of living on campus, there are some that beg to differ.

"The bad thing is the choice of food, it's pretty little," said Alicia Seifert a sophomore studying middle childhood education.

"You only have the C-Store, the Hangar, and the Student Union and they all seem the same."

Food choice might be one of the concerns for living on campus, but what about safety? Wright State overall is safe and on-campus police do respond quickly said Bertso.

But Syreeta Gould, a sophomore majoring in psychology, doesn't feel that way.

"No, I don't think it is safe here. The doors are locked at night, but anyone can get in because you can ask them to unlock the door for you."

Over the past few years there have been incidents of people using alcohol and drugs and that it is a concern, Bertso said. There have also been incidents where parties have gotten out of hand.

"We're expecting people to behave like they live in a community where they respect others and that their behavior doesn't infringe on others," said Bertso.

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Speaker to discuss creativity

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Dr. Oliver Sacks, considered one of the world's premier neurologists, will deliver his speech "Creativity and the Brain" and participate in a symposium at Wright State.

He comes to Wright State on account of the Honors Institute, which is finishing a quarter-long interdisciplinary endeavor into the brain in relation to the local community.

Although a man of science, Sacks is renowned for his storytelling and ability to connect with both patients and audience said Dr. Amy Morgenstern, associate director of the University Honors Program.

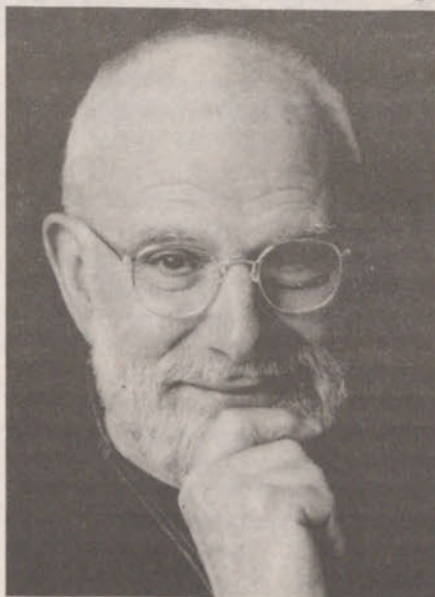
Sacks cares for the interests of people, taking a humanistic approach more than simply diagnostic Morgenstern said.

Sacks' studies on patients with deep psychosis have culminated in his own best-selling books, as well as other dramatic representations.

Robin Williams, for example, starred in the 1990 film "Awakenings"; portraying Sacks' experiences awakening patients that had been comatose for decades.

Quite a few creative students here at Wright State, although not having heard of Sacks, were excited for discourse examining this intriguing topic.

How innovation can be ascribed



Dr. Oliver Sacks.

through any outlet, whether it be art, making a business sale, or even the way somebody walks is questions sophomore theatre design major Matthew Albonetti is interested having answered by Sacks.

Some other students, like theatre major Jerome Doerger, are interested in seeing how Sacks applies the truth-seeking vision of science into something as fancy-free as creative essence.

Registration is not required for Sacks' speech at 7:00 p.m. on March 9 in the Apollo room of the Student Union, but is for the daylong March 10 symposium.

Watch out WSU because... Salamanders are coming

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This year April showers will bring more than May flowers with the annual mating journey of local salamanders.

Spring's first warm night rains call salamanders from their homes under logs and leaves to shallow pools. Sometimes the voyage is three-quarters of a mile across roads and fields, back to the same pools they were born in.

These vernal pools are the basis of a rare ecosystem that is disappearing in Ohio. Ohio has lost over 90 percent of its original wetlands over the past several centuries, said the State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA).

"I didn't even know there were wetlands in Ohio - let alone salamanders," freshman Jennifer Carter said.

Over 90 percent of all trees in Ohio are on private land; therefore private landowners are a critical component of the effort to save vernal pool habitats.

Some woodlots in agricultural areas were spared because they were too wet to farm. These will be key areas to locate and protect before they are impacted through urban development. Salamanders breeding in vernal pools need the surrounding forest to survive.

These usually small, but very

dynamic wetlands fill with water before blossoming with life by hosting a discord of sounds and a plethora of life forms every spring, only to disappear into the forest floor every autumn.

The salamanders that inhabit it race against time and each other every year. Their life histories depend on living in a world where a rain one day too late or an encounter with a sneaky predator means the difference between life and death.

Vernal pools are a miniature yet complex and fragile world with all of its drama played out every year close to society, but most people have never witnessed it.

Now, Ohio EPA is giving anyone interested the chance to observe the annual mating jamboree of the shy creatures found in Wright State's backyard.

It is up to the salamanders to decide the specific date, but to ensure a spot and an alerting phone call when it does begin contact Heather Lauer in Ohio EPA's Public Interest Center, (614) 644-2160 about the Salamander Enchanted Evening.

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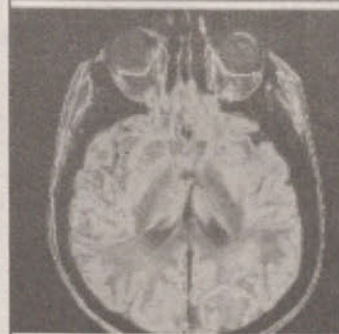
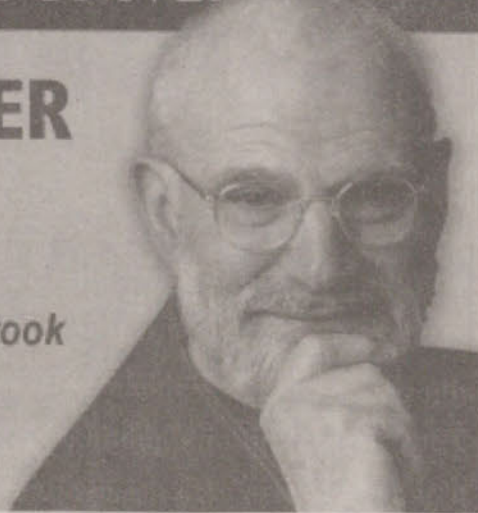
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Another day of class before spring break

Finals week is complicated enough. The schedules are different and studying for exams can be absolutely nerve-racking. This quarter in addition to all of this students get to deal with an even more complications.

Thanks to university officials wanting an extra day off the first Monday of the quarter, we must make up an extra day during finals week.

All classes on the Monday of finals week meet like they normally would, and the finals week schedule begins on Tuesday.

The finals that would have been taken on Monday now must be made up on Friday, which will prevent students from getting a head start on spring break.

The university did not even consider that since its populace consists of mostly commuters, there may be many students who would not be able to attend a Friday exam. This is why they took a Monday night class.

Had the university simply been open the first Monday of winter quarter all of this could have been avoided.

The university's stance on floating holidays as they are known doesn't seem to take into account the student's interests, but instead relies on the staff's.

While most staff members and faculty work during spring break, us students are taking an earned vacation from all of the chaos of the past two quarters.

Perhaps staff members and administrators don't mind the inconvenience, but those having to teach or come to class an extra day do.



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Student speaks out about comments

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My comments on the "White Students at WSU" Facebook group were one of the most controversial on the entire board. As trivial as I found the matter, I didn't deem it necessary to call off work to attend the meeting. However, since it has escalated this high to news and print media, I feel compelled to at least explain myself, and not let others put words in my mouth.

My exact words were: "The Woods Ghetto is mainly comprised of people that don't even go to WSU. All the turds from Wilberforce and Central State come here to be ghetto douche bags."

The area in question is the intersection between Hickory, Hawthorne, Oak, and Maple buildings in the Woods, right by the stairs leading to the Honors Dorm. And yes, it has turned ghetto. Ghetto doesn't mean "black", as some people took it. That's actually a racial stereotype, for you people who took

offense to me calling it ghetto. Ghetto means street crime is abundant, allowed, and tolerated.

Living there for a quarter, and having friends that still do, I was constantly harassed walking to and from my room. People smoke marijuana and drink out in the open. Someone was robbed outside Pine. There were "street parties" held on the one-way road of Springwood, blocking traffic. Firecrackers have been set off by parked cars. It is not safe. But I digress...

"Turd" is not and never was a racist slur. Just because it is brown? That's really digging, folks. My roommate and I have a running joke now in which I'll call him anything I can see that is brown, and he'll call me anything that's white ("Hey man, you're a door! Oh yeah? Well you're a wall!")

At my internship with a local police department, we call all the people who we deal with on a constant basis, regardless of race, "turds" because we are sometimes around civilians, so we can't use other choice words. This is perhaps the only time I chose NOT to

use a swear word and have gotten in trouble.

I was told by more than one Wright State policeman that the majority of the students who come to the Woods and

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-Jeffrey Perilman

commit crimes are students from Wilberforce and Central State. They also said that it frustrates them because there was not much they could do to prevent them from coming back and committing more crimes.

I am very proud of my school. I take offense when someone comes here, acts like a fool, and makes MY

home more dangerous. If they want to do those things, then they can keep it on their own campus. As I said on the message board (and I think it was grossly overlooked), I don't care if it's white kids from UD or black kids from Central State.

If you come here and commit crimes, I've got a problem with you. If you come here and don't, then we are fine. You see, I judge people on their actions.

I could care less what race you are. A white person can act just as dumb as a black, yellow, red, purple, or blue person.

People complaining about Wright State as if it is the biggest breeding ground for racism in the state don't know how good they have it.

Look at anything Wright State puts its name on. Their first objective is to make it diverse. They'd rather do something wrong and diverse than correct and non-diverse.

Everyone claiming WSU to be so bad should go to other schools around the state and see how much time and money they dedicate to diversity.

CSA responds to raffle controversy article

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I am speaking on behalf of the Commuter Student Association (CSA) in response to The Guardian article, "Raffle Fuels Controversy." This is to alert everyone that there is no controversy. The rules by CSA were that at the men's home games, raffle tickets were sold.

Whoever purchased the raffle tickets were eligible to win a \$250 gas card at the first game, or a \$500 gas card at the remaining games.

This means that anyone that purchased a ticket-whether it was a parent, student, or member of the community-from one of the students selling a gas raffle ticket was eligible to win.

The raffle was open to all students that attended the games. Since there was no way for us to determine if a student is a commuter or not; residential students that attended the games when the gas card raffle tickets were sold, could have won.

The raffle was never discriminatory against residential students. Even though we are The Commuter Student Association, none of our programs were discriminatory towards residential students.

Every quarter, we have 'Good Morning Commuters', 'Good Evening Commuters' and 'Finals Survival' events. Even though most of these events have 'Commuters' in its title, it

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always has been open to ALL students.

We stand behind the notion that the gas card raffle was begun as an attempt to benefit the commuter students and bring attention to The Commuter Student Association. Our intent was to also support the athletes.

The proceeds of the gas card raffle were to benefit the commuter students. It is unfortunate that the student community was not as supportive of our endeavor as our family and other members of the community were.

In retrospect, we should have limited it more. But we went with the rules printed on the tickets. It was not written on the tickets or any agreement that the winners could not be affiliated to Student Government or The Commuter Student Association.

There was no rigging or other deviant method used in selecting the winners. We learned the hard way, but hopefully this is a lesson to other student organizations. Being general in rules is not an option.

CSA was established to provide for commuter students' needs and finding innovative ways to get commuters to join in the collegiate experience at Wright State University. But never is it stated that it is to the exclusion of residential students.

By tacking 'Commuters' to the title of our events it is supposed to let those who have to travel, sometimes great distances to campus, know that they are thought of and represented on campus.

If you believe that you could contribute better ideas for functions and events, I invite you to join the Commuter Student Association group on WINGS and attend upcoming meetings. Feel free to post any comments or questions, or e-mail me personally to find out our meeting schedule.

Furthermore, the purpose of The

CSA is to advocate for and represent the interests of the commuter students. This school year, we were able to co-sponsor events and sit on committees that affect the student body.

We are actively fulfilling our duties of our SOBC funding. A story built on sensationalism like this one may end up having a lasting detrimental effect on our organization.

Hopefully this clears any misunderstandings. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to e-mail me.

So little amount of people even know we exist and are out there to help bring the collegiate experience to commuter students. We made an attempt to get our name out, and apparently it worked.

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Above: Kym Koester looks ahead as she perfects her kayaking techniques.

At left: Tasha Rouse (front) and Jennifer Wheeler (back) try to keep a safe distance from each other as they paddle around the Student Union pool.

The Outdoor Resource and Adventure Center (ORAC) sponsored a four-part kayaking series in which students learned proper rowing techniques, effective rescue skills and other important aspects of kayaking.

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Row, row, row your...kayak?

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Row, row, row your boat gently in the pool. Nine participants and two instructors are doing exactly this in the recent Kayak Series hosted by the Outdoor Resource and Adventure Center (ORAC) in the Student Union.

On Feb. 21, students began their four-day course on how to kayak. For just \$20, they are learning basic rowing techniques and effective rescue procedures. The cost includes all equipment as well.

"We're giving students what they need to take it to the next level themselves," said Amy Anslinger, the coordinator for Outdoor Recreation.

To help foster this goal, ORAC purchased 11 kayaks and provided these courses, which must be completed before someone is allowed to rent a kayak.

Two of the classes are already finished, but two more will take place on Feb. 28 and March 2 from 5-7 p.m. in the Student Union pool. Although these classes are now closed, ORAC will be offering more during spring quarter, which Anslinger hopes will be out on the water instead of in the pool.

Anslinger said that ORAC's programs are getting better and that the retention rates are very high. However, she would like to expand this program to include a broader audience.

"This is a great chance for students to get out and use the resources that we have here in Dayton and gain new experiences while they have the opportunity," she said.

Dene Bermen, the instructor of the class, agreed. Bermen, who has kayaked in places like New Zealand and Maine, said Dayton has plenty of water available to be kayaked in such as Caesar Creek Lake and Mad River.

A Wright State alumnus, Bermen wants to see the university use these resources more in its classrooms.

"Outdoor programs really ought to be the backbone of what a university does," he said.

"Wright State should integrate classroom courses and field courses with outdoor education," he added.

This would be beneficial because it gives students the opportunity to meet new people, enhances classes such as biology, provides leadership roles and

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-Amy Anslinger, ORAC

self-esteem boosters for students and it's a lot of fun, said Bermen. "It helps students find that sense of place."

Gabriel Trainer, a history major, is looking for that sense of place. Trainer is taking the class because he wants to learn how to do rolls underwater and other techniques. When he went white water rafting, he saw kayakers getting in the surf and having a good time.

"It looked like a blast, and I've always enjoyed white water rafting, so I thought I'd give it a try," he said.

Rachel Brand, an early childhood education major, works in ORAC and is also a participant in the class. She is taking the lessons to improve her own skills and hopes to teach others how to properly maneuver a kayak.

"I like anything in the outdoors, and it's another thing I can do," she said.

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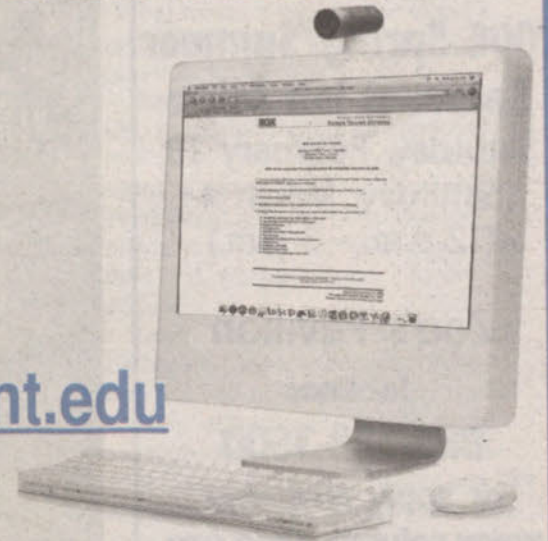
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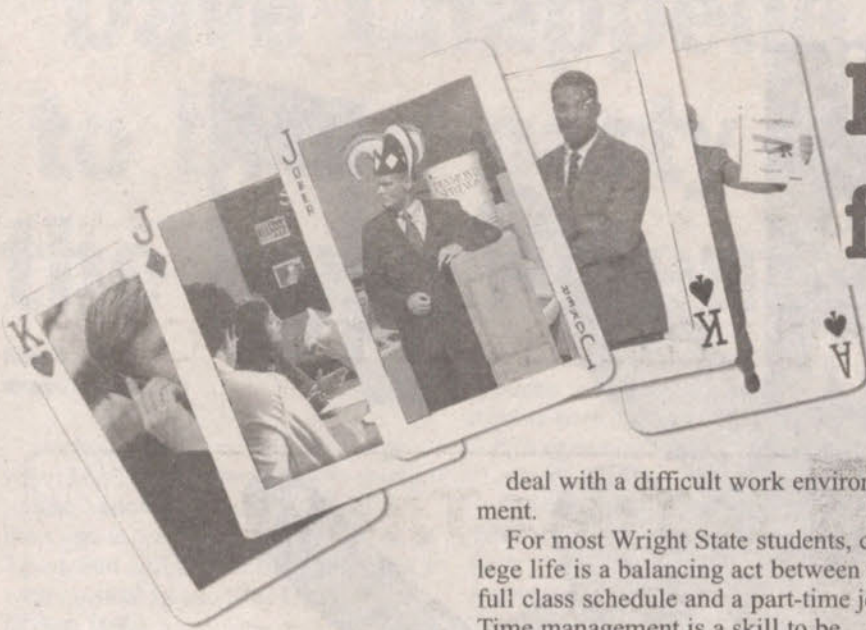
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Know when to hold & fold: dealing with work

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"Ummm, yeah...I'm gonna have you go ahead and come in on Saturday, too. Yeah, that'd be grrreeaaaat."

Sound familiar? Begrudged cube monkeys everywhere can find solace in 1999's film "Office Space" with the tagline of "Work sucks."

Although the main characters decide to take revenge on their greedy boss, odds are that Wright State students can't damn "the man" because they need his money to pay for school. If this is the case, here are a few tips to

deal with a difficult work environment.

For most Wright State students, college life is a balancing act between a full class schedule and a part-time job. Time management is a skill to be thankful for, especially with exam week coming up.

"You must find a way to balance time between school and a job," said Dr. Richard Sears, a psychologist at Yellow Springs Psychological Center. Plan ahead when it comes to school and work, and if you have exams, study for them earlier instead of cramming at the last minute, Sears suggested.

He also said that students who miss class to pick up extra shifts should talk to their boss about a different schedule because this could interfere with classroom success.

Another thing to consider when dealing with a difficult work environment is

communication. If you stress your wants and needs, work may be a lot easier. If you build up a good relationship with your boss and co-workers, chances are you will find work more enjoyable and less stressful, said Sears.

Not only is this advice helpful in the workplace, but it can help you in the social aspect of your life as well.

"Communicating your thoughts can take you really far in life," said Sears.

Don't stress out, either. If you can keep a cool head while you're on the job, it will make things a lot easier.

"Remember why you're working," said Sears. "If you don't leave and realize this job is only temporary to get you through a stage of your life, you might be able to relax a bit more. Take it five minutes at a time," he said.

Some students that have managerial positions can find it challenging to keep co-workers in line because their young age can suggest a lack of authority.

Sears suggested treating those around you with respect because even though you are in charge, you don't

know everything.

Asking for a raise can be a tough situation as well. If you honestly feel like you deserve a one, Sears suggested to "not be wishy-washy, make it matter of fact."

If you are as business-like as possible, your chances are better. Asking "What would it take for me to get a good raise?" is the way to phrase the question, said Sears.

Jeremy Locke, an English major, also suggested finding an employer that is flexible. "My boss is pretty understanding of me being in school and everything; it doesn't interfere too much," he said. "(My boss) says, 'Student first, worker second,'" Locke added.

Locke also suggested not dwelling on negative aspects because if you don't, it will make work go by faster.

"One of my bosses will be pretty strict about the mistakes I make," he said, "but dealing with them is just like anything else - you learn from it and move on."

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Mix of music and philanthropy proves winning combination for area students



Rachel Young (l) and Rachel Taylor (r) work at their latest concert. The two students established R-Squared Promotions, a company that hosts local bands and donates proceeds to charities.

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Wouldn't it be nice to go listen to some great bands and know that you're doing something positive at the same time? Well, now you can. Two area college students have put their heads together to form R-Squared Promotions, a company that books local bands and donates all proceeds to charity.

WSU sophomore Rachel Young, an organizational leadership major, came up with the idea when she wanted to host a show for a friend's band. Because of Young's desire to contribute to charitable causes and with the help of Sinclair student Rachel Taylor, R-Squared Promotions was born.

The two girls, who have been friends since 7th grade, decided to host shows for different bands once a month and give the proceeds to various charities.

"I think it's really awesome that she's doing two things she loves at the same time - organizing shows for local bands and helping out charities through donations," said a member of the audience.

Both have always had a passion for music and doing charity work, so Taylor thought it would be a great idea to make this a permanent project instead of a one-time thing.

Their main inspiration for this project was not based on their love of music, but on the way they've been

brought up. "You're blessed - bless others," said Young.

Young and Taylor are the two masterminds behind this project, but there are many other people involved. Their friends, their parents, club owners, record labels and many bands help it all come together.

The participating bands benefit by having their music heard, but their biggest benefit is having a good sense of self-worth, said Young. "It's not only a show, but they're really helping other people," said Young.

All shows are located in Huber Heights, which is only 15-20 minutes from WSU, at various venues. The shows can cost anywhere from \$6-\$10, depending on the number of bands that play.

Their first show was on Feb. 25, and the proceeds went to the Pediatric Research Foundation.

One of the band members said that the show was like a breath of fresh air. "I think that R-Squared Promotions (is) a selfless act to not only bring great music and shows to the local scene but

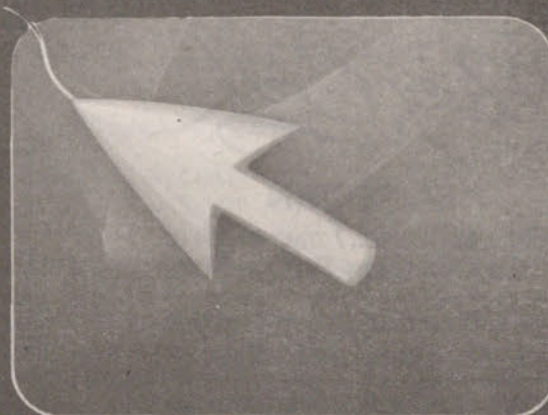
to also help benefit charitable organizations," said Chris Lairmore, a member of The Cut Scene. "It's one of the best things to happen to the local scene in a long time," he added.

Aside from school, R-Squared Promotions and social lives; both Young and Taylor have outside jobs. Young said it can get a little overwhelming, but both have high hopes for the company's future.

"This is the kind of thing where we both see it going really far and being a part of our lives for a really long time, so we really want to put our whole heart into it," said Young.

For more information about R-Squared Promotions and future shows, e-mail them at r2.promo@gmail.com or visit <http://www.myspace/rsquaredpromo.com>.

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It's going to be one hell of a party when Dave Chappelle comes to town. The Yellow Springs native will hit the stage at the Nutter Center tonight at 7 p.m. and will pepper his performance with musical guests Mos Def and Erykah Badu. Chappelle is touring the country to promote the March 3 release of his movie, "Dave Chappelle's Block Party." The combination of music and comedy was set in a Brooklyn neighborhood, and Chappelle roamed the streets there and in Yellow Springs to invite residents to the free event. Chappelle paid for their transporta-

tion and lodging as well. He even included the Central State marching band to perform with Kanye West and John Legend in a revamped version of "Jesus Walks." Other artists in the movie include Talib Kweli, Common, Dead Prez, Jill Scott, the Roots, Cody ChesnuTT, Big Daddy Kane and a reunited Fugees. Their appearance marks the first time they've performed together since 1997. As of press time, tickets are still available for tonight's performance. You can purchase them at the door for \$55, and the doors will open at approximately 5:30 p.m. For more information, call the Nutter Center Box Office at 775-3498 or the Student Union Box Office at 775-5544.



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Dave Chappelle is making a stop at the Nutter Center tonight at 7 p.m. with musical guests Mos Def and Erykah Badu. Chappelle is touring the country to promote his new movie, "Dave Chappelle's Block Party."

Coming Events

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- March 3:** Gondoliers, 8-11 p.m., Herbst Theatre CAC
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Swimming teams take runner-up



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It was nothing but excitement for the WSU swimming and diving teams last week as they participated in the Horizon League tournament, which kicked off on Wednesday at the Busbey Natatorium at Cleveland State.

Both the men's and the women's teams went into tournament competition with six Horizon League/ MCC past titles, but both teams took home a second place finish overall this year. WSU's first year head coach Sion Brinn was named the men's co-coach of the year with UIC's Wally Morton as the men finished with 742.5 points while the women earned 805 points overall.

WSU ended the first day strong as the Lady Raiders took the lead and the men ended a successful day with a third place ranking after seven events.

The women had four of the top eight finishes in the 1000 free, but it was sophomore Catalina Martinez who took first with a time of 10:19.31.

The men captured the first place spot in the 200 freestyle relay and third in the 200-medley relay while sophomore Scott Lang finished second in the 1000 freestyle.

Day Two of tournament competition ended with the WSU women still in the first place position and the men moving up to second while the Raiders picked up two more league titles, totaling four overall.

Sophomore Mabel Fernandez captured first in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:01.21 while Sophomore Warren Thompson won the 200 IM with his time of 1:51.70.

After the second day of tournament and 16 events, the Raider women were leading second place UW- Green Bay by 41.5 points with a total of 324.5. The men were trailing the first place Cleveland State Vikings by only 59.5 points.

The third day of competition proved to be a little less successful for the Raiders, despite winning four more league titles, as the women dropped to second and the men failed to move ahead in the rankings.

Amy Cron had individual success as she won both the 100 butterfly and the 100 breaststroke. Thompson won his second event of the week as well with a victory in the 400 IM. Senior Rafael Candido did well also, taking first in the 100 breaststroke with his time of 57.00.

Despite totaling eight first place fin-

ishes, it was the UW- Green Bay ladies who took the lead on Friday, finishing with 563 points. The men still trailed first place Cleveland State by 67.5 points going into the last day of competition.

Three more titles were won on Saturday, giving the Raiders 11 first place finishes in 42 events. Senior Elvis Cirikovic won the 100 freestyle, Candido took first in the 200-breast stroke and Martinez won the 1650 freestyle.

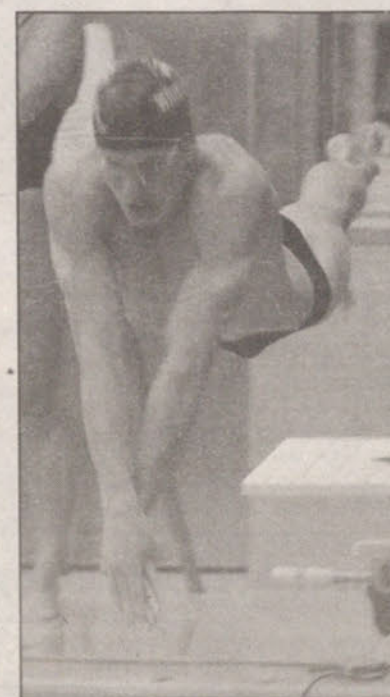
WSU also had seven second place finishes for the day, but it wasn't enough for the Raiders to take the lead as the Cleveland State men and the UW-Green Bay women captured the tournament titles.

The Raider men returned seven former Horizon League Champions while the women went into tournament play with four returning champions.

Candido won the 100 and 200 breaststroke each of the last two years while Cirikovic has three past titles, one in the 50 free and two in the 100 free.

Senior Alex Dolgov is also reigning champion in the 200 IM and twice in the 400 IM over the last two years. Sophomore Scott Lang, last year's swimmer of the meet, is reigning leader in the 500, 1000, and 1650 free events.

The Lady Raiders, with four returning champions, also had titles to defend as Sophomore Jessica Weidert won the 200 IM and the 400 IM a year ago and Junior Tina Pandza defended the 200 and 500 free. Martinez won the 1000 and the 1650 free last year and Sophomore Brittiany Czoch won the 200 butterfly.



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Men plummet in HL standings

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In a week that fans would simply characterize as disappointing the Raiders lost twice on the road in Chicago, first to Loyola on Wednesday and then again to UIC on Saturday. With the loss to UIC, the possibility of maintaining the status as the number three

seeded Horizon League team slipped through the fingers of the Wright State men's basketball team.

The season's cycle of wins and losses continued on Wednesday, as the Raiders dropped its first game of the week to the Loyola Ramblers losing 76-63.

Loyola struck first with an early two point shot, but WSU quickly followed

up with a three-pointer response by junior DaShaun Wood from beyond the arc. Though Wright State led by six at the 4:18 mark in the first half, Loyola made a comeback that the Raiders were unable to contain, ending the half with 36-30.

In spite of Wright State coming back from the locker room and cutting the Loyola lead to just one point early in the second, the Ramblers proved they had not shown all its cards in the first half. By the midpoint of the second, Loyola had opened up a 20 point lead over the Raiders that would ultimately spell Wright State's defeat.

Leading in rebounds, points off the bench and free throw shooting, at the final buzzer a more aggressive Loyola had a 13 point advantage over the Raiders, ending the night with a 76-63 victory.

On a bright note, three Wright State players ended the night as double digit scorers, led by Wood with 18, sophomore Jordan Pleiman with 12 and junior Drew Burleson with 11.

The UIC flames jumped out to an early lead before WSU showed any signs of life. Junior Walter Chancellor seemed to provide the inspiration for a Wright State comeback with both strong three point shooting and aggressive offensive rebounding. With 9:14 left to play in the first half, Wright State assumed its first lead of the game, pulling ahead by one. The remainder of the half saw the lead change several times, but the Flames were able to have a slight advantage going into the break, leading the Raiders 31-30.

Coming back from the locker room, a reinvigorated Raider team was able to develop a six-point advantage over the Flames with 15:05 remaining. UIC rallied and was able to rein the game back in, until it established a three point lead over the Raiders with slightly more than a minute of regulation play left in the half. A Tyron Scott three-point basket tied the game and forced to play an overtime.

With just a bit over two minutes remaining in the extra period, UIC led the Raiders 66-64. Burleson tied the game again with only 1:34 remaining in overtime. The game remained deadlocked for nearly a minute of play, until UIC hit a basket. Following a Raider foul and a UIC free throw, the game closed 69-66.

Wood and Scott led Wright State scoring, each earning 15 points for their effort, followed by Burleson with 11, but UIC's impressive three point shooting appeared to be the catalyst in Saturday's game. Though Wright State hit eight shots from beyond the arc, UIC was able to sink ten, which was just enough to keep control of the game.

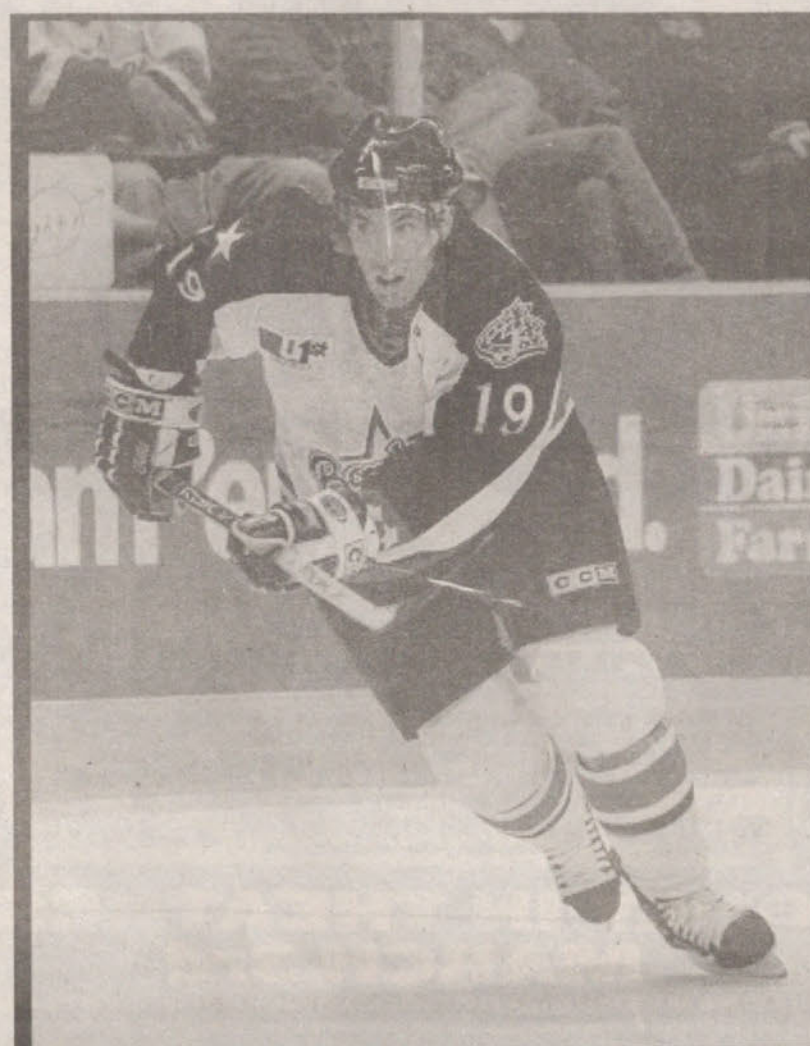
Following the week's two losses, now 13-14 for the season and 8-8 against Horizon League teams, Wright State has fallen from third all the way to the seventh seed. In an interesting turn of events, Wright State will return again to face UIC on Tuesday in the first round of the Horizon League Championship tournament.

The winner of Tuesday's game will go on to play UW-GBay in the second round of the tournament on Friday.

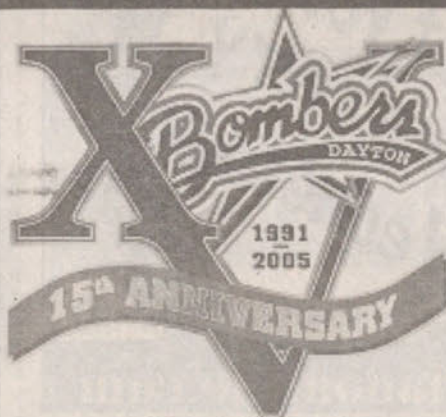


WSU Raider William Graham looks for a basket during a play against Loyola.

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Women's team falls in season finale

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The Lady Raiders Basketball team closed their season at home last week with a win against Cleveland State and a loss to UW-Green Bay. The split decision lands WSU a 12-15 overall record for the regular season and an 8-8 record in the Horizon League.

Monday night action at the Nutter Center against the Cleveland State Vikings ended with a 59-51 Horizon League victory for WSU.

The Raiders took the lead early on, leading 13-12 at the 10-minute mark. Sophomore Whitney Lewis extended the margin to 27-14 as she scored five of eight consecutive Raider points, and senior Rhea Mays landed a three-point shot with five minutes remaining.

The Vikings attempted to fight back, however, at the end of the period as

they scored eight of the final ten points to end the half with a 29-22 Wright State lead.

In the second period, WSU proved too much for the Vikings as they broke away with a 17-5 run with six Raiders tallying points. The Raiders held a 51-31 advantage with eight minutes left and the Vikings were never able to come back.

Senior Tyanda Hammock paced the Lady Raiders, scoring 14 points, including four three-point shots. Junior Brittany Whiteside landed 12 points while Lewis followed with 11 and had eight rebounds. Mays tallied nine points and five assists.

On Thursday, the Raiders returned to the Nutter Center, but they could not manage two in a row on their home court as they fell 66-57 to UW-Green Bay.

It was all offense for the Phoenix as

they committed no turnovers in the first half and shot 49 percent in the opening 20 minutes.

Hammock opened the scoring for the Raiders with a three-pointer in the first minutes of play, but the lead would prove to be the only Raider lead all evening. After a Lewis three-pointer, the game was tied at eight, but the Phoenix answered back with 12 unanswered points.

The Raiders had a 10-0 run in the second half, including a pair of three from Mays, but UW-Green Bay extended their margin and put the game out of reach with an 11-4 run.

WSU and UW-Green Bay both shot 43 percent from field, and the Raiders

landed seven three-pointers compared the Phoenix's four. UWGB had nine total attempts as a result of having only five turnovers compared to WSU's 17, resulting in a 16-9 turnover differential.

Whiteside led with 18 points while Mays, her final home game as a Raider, tallied 15 points and had seven rebounds. Lewis contributed with 14 points.

WSU, finished with their regular season play, will take to the bus next week for the quarterfinal round of the Horizon League tournament. They will take on the third place UIC Flames on Thursday to open up their tournament season.

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Baseball team off to OK start

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Wright State Baseball went 1-2 over the weekend as they traveled to Fort

Worth Texas to battle the #21 ranked Texas Christian University Horned Frogs.

Saturday's double-header, despite the rainy atmosphere, began optimistically

for the Raiders as they captured the first win of the day in a 6-4 decision with right-handers Ross Vagedes and Joe Smith taking the win.

The second half of the day panned out to be a little less than successful, however, as the Raiders dropped an 8-4 loss. Senior Chris Snyder started on the mound, lasting 1.2 innings before being relieved by Andrew Burns, but it was Chris Nighland who took the loss for the Raiders.

Sunday opened up with the Raiders leading most of the game, but it was an eighth inning rally by the Horned Frogs that doomed the Raiders to a 4-2 loss.

In game one on Saturday, freshman Justin Parker hit one up the middle off a pitch from TCU's right-handed Sam Demel to bring Jeremy Hamilton home. The lead didn't last long, however, as TCU answered back in the bottom of the inning when TCU's catcher, Andrew Walker, nailed a homerun off the arm of WSU's Ross Vagedes.

TCU then took lead with a 2-1 margin in the third inning as Keith Conlon drove in an RBI with an in-field base-hit. By the third inning the Raiders had answered back with three runs off of Demel. Justin Wilson and Ross Oeder each landed base hits and Travis Migliorini walked to load the bases. Then a wild pitch allowed Wilson to completely circle the bases and bring it home. Brian Shoup followed with a ground ball through the second basemen's legs, making it a 4-2 ball game for the Raiders.

The fifth inning found #21 TCU fighting back with two runs, and reliever Jason Bennion walked to the mound after 4.2 innings of play for Vagedes, striking out the only batter he faced before Joe Smith came in to close.

The sixth inning found the game tied at 4 all when a double from Wilson, a single from Migliorini and Oeder walking to first loaded the bases allowing Shoup to single and drive in the go-ahead run. The Raiders were able to

hold the Horned Frogs to a 5-4 game until the ninth, when an insurance run from a Hamilton-Garcia effort ended the game with a 6-4 Raider win.

Vagedes allowed four runs on seven hits and struck out one batter in a no decision, while Bennion struck out the only batter he faced, picking up his first win for the season.

Smith threw well in all of his four innings, striking out four and walking two to earn his first save for the season. Wright State left 12 men on-base while the Horned Frogs only left nine.

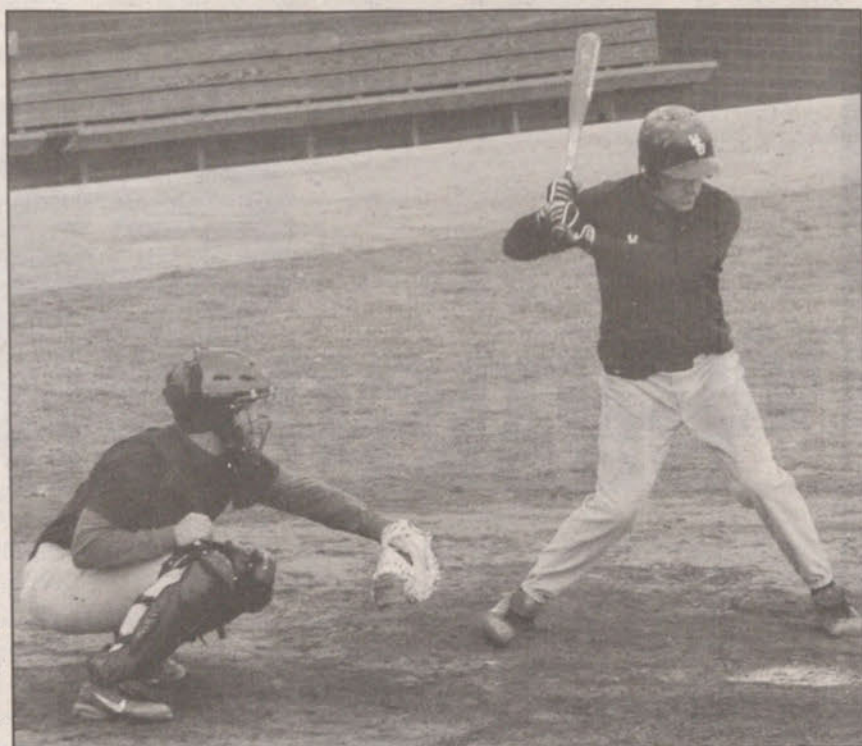
Game two found the Horned Frogs jumping ahead 6-0 as starter Snyder allowed four hits and two walked batters in 1.2 innings. Burns relieved Snyder, throwing 3.1 innings and allowing one run on four hits.

By the fourth inning, the Frogs were leading 7-0 before the Raiders managed to get on the board with a double to left field from Brian Shoup, bringing home catcher Jack Leopard and Oeder. The Raiders then went up 7-3 as Amin Abusaleh swiped the ball through the legs of the third baseman to score Shoup.

Nighland came in on the mound, allowing one run and three hits in the final three innings. For the game, Shoup drove in two runs, Abusaleh drove in a pair of runs and the Raiders left ten runners on base and struck out 12 times. The final match against TCU was a disappointing 4-2 loss for the Raiders, despite cracking seven hits.

The bottom of the seventh inning found starter Garrett Holleran still on the mound, and the Raiders in a 2-1 lead. But it was a late rally as the Horned Frogs ran in three runs in the eighth inning and the Raiders used three pitchers. Going into the ninth, it was a 4-2 game with the Frogs on top, but WSU couldn't get a rhythm in the ninth inning.

The Raiders are now 2-3 for the season and will face the Daemon Deacons of Wake Forest next weekend.



TCU's Catcher Andrew Walker nailed a homerun of WSU's Ross Vagedes in a game at Fort Worth Texas.

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Sports Spotlight:

Tyanda Hammock

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She's not the loudest on the court and can sometimes go unnoticed, but after a game, opponents definitely know when Tyanda Hammock has been playing against them.

Averaging just over eight points a game, Hammock may not seem to be the biggest threat the Raiders have to offer. Nonetheless, when it's time for a three pointer or big play in the game, Hammock has been able to capitalize on those plays this season.

"I just try to get out there and play really hard every night," said Hammock.

Since she was in the fourth grade, Hammock has been in love with the game of basketball. Hammock, the only girl in her family, often played basketball with her brothers. While attending Mansfield Senior High, Hammock also had a very impressive career, including scoring over a 1,000 points in her career.

When it came time to choose a college Hammock said both the campus life and the coaching staff played the biggest role in helping her decision. Two things that still play a very big role in her life today.

"It was the best move for me," Hammock said. "It gave me a great opportunity."

Although she is a senior this season, Hammock still is eligible next season, since she did not play her first year while attending Wright State. A plus for both her and the team since she has played such a big part all throughout her career.

Hammock is majoring in Organizational Leadership with a minor in African American Studies. But for right now she has one thing on her mind: basketball. And for right now, she has good reason to be focused.

With the regular season being over and the ladies finishing at 8-8 and in sixth place in the Horizon League standings, it's now tournament time. In their first game on Thursday the women will take on UIC, the third place team in the conference. Add to that the fact that a lot of eyes are on the women after finishing second in the tournament last year, and people realize there's a lot of pressure on this team.

But Hammock doesn't play to change her playing style at all for the event.

"I just want to help my team the best I can," said Hammock. "and hopefully get us to the NCAA tournament."

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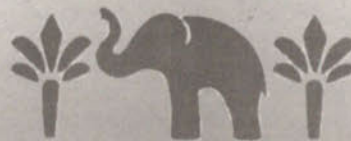
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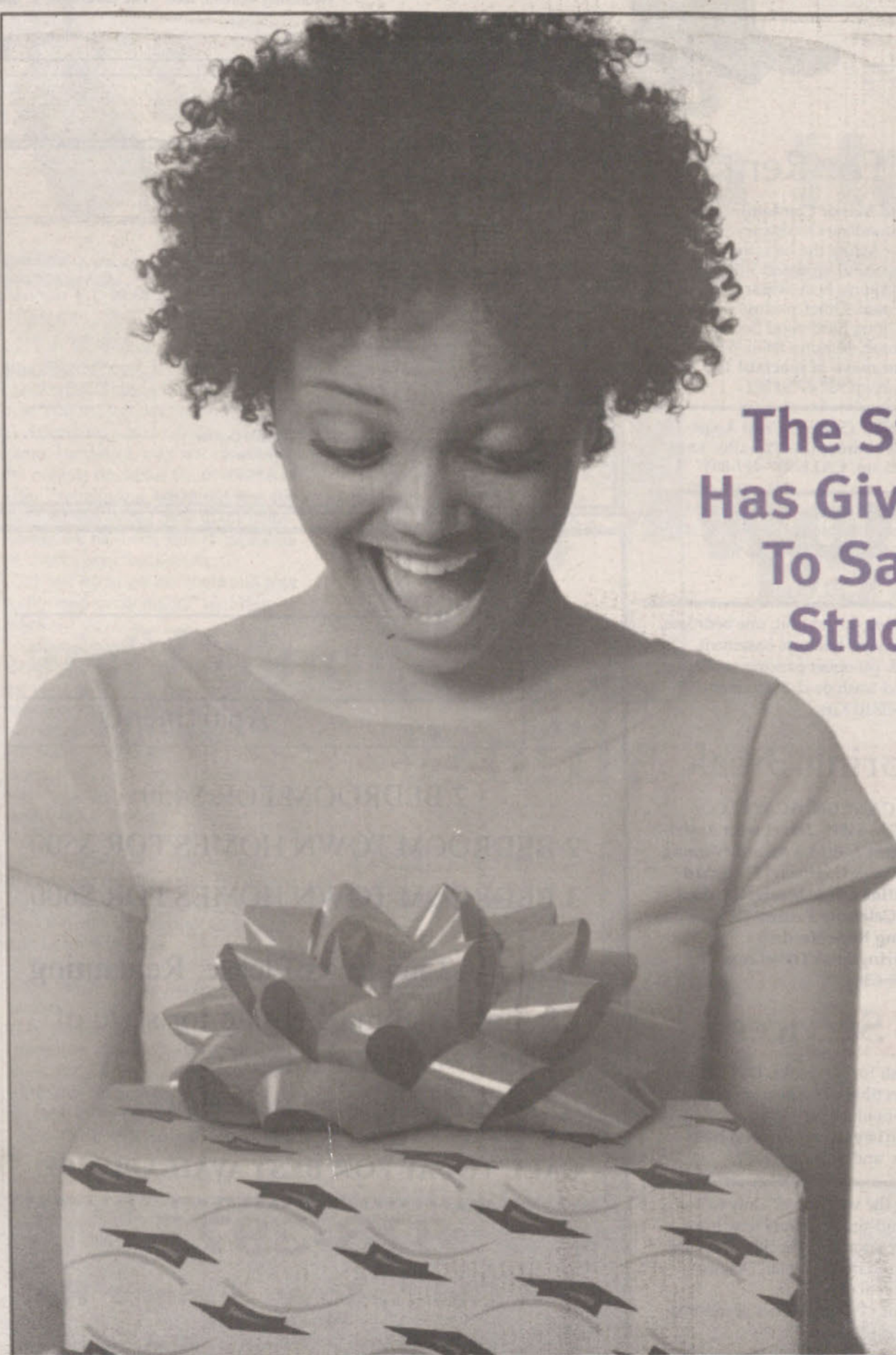
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